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Congressman Neil Abercrombie has represented Hawaii in the U.S. House of Representatives for 12 years, putting his seniority to work for our state.

Neil has helped Hawaii's economy by securing more than \$2 billion for Hawaii military construction. These projects create jobs and sustain the readiness of Hawaii-based units.

Congressman Abercrombie is helping to grow Hawaii's high tech future by directing federal funds to island technology companies. Thanks to his efforts, the 2003 Defense bill includes more than \$20 million for Hawaii research and development firms.

With our economy dependent on the visitor industry, Neil is sponsoring legislation to provide tax incentives for recreational, business, and convention travel. He is also sponsoring legislation for small business emergency relief for tourism-related businesses hit by the post-9/11 downturn.

Congressman Abercrombie is sponsoring bills to increase federal education aid to Hawaii and other states. Funds could be used for school construction, maintenance, and improvements. Federal aid could also be used to hire more teachers and underwrite advanced training for teachers already working in our schools.

Neil believes health care should be affordable for everyone. He is sponsoring bills to include a voluntary prescription drug benefit in the Medicare program. He is a cosponsor of the Patients Bill of Rights to help patients in dealing with their health insurers.

Neil Abercrombie has been honored with leadership awards by the National Epilepsy Foundation, Ronald MacDonald House, Friends of the Library of Hawaii, Retail Merchants of Hawaii, and the Senior Army Reserve Commanders Association.